



RESOLUTION

RELATING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF RIKI MAY AMANO TO SERVE ON THE ETHICS COMMISSION OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

WHEREAS, Section 11-107 of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, 1973 ("Charter"), as amended, establishes an Ethics Commission ("Commission") comprised of seven members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Council to five-year terms; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has the basic duties of rendering advisory opinions and conducting investigations concerning the application of the standards of ethical conduct of the City and recommending appropriate disciplinary action against city officers and employees who violate the standards; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-107 of the Charter prohibits members of the Commission from taking an active part in political management or in political campaigns; and

WHEREAS, Section 13-103 of the Charter requires a Commission member to be a registered voter of the City; and

WHEREAS, by Mayor's message MM-65 (2014), the Mayor has appointed Riki May Amano to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, if confirmed by the Council, Ms. Amano will succeed Rachael Wong whose term expired on December 31, 2013, and serve a term expiring on December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Council has reviewed Ms. Amano's qualifications and character and finds that Ms. Amano qualifies to serve on the Commission; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that this body confirms the appointment of Riki May Amano to the Ethics Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council expresses its gratitude and appreciation to Ms. Amano for her willingness to be considered for public service and actively participate in city government; and



CITY COUNCIL
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 14-162

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor, Chair of the Ethics Commission, and Riki May Amano.

INTRODUCED BY:

Riki May Amano (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

JUL 11 2014
Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

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June 25, 2014

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The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin
Chair and Presiding Officer
and Members
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Martin and Councilmembers:

Pursuant to Section 13-103(b) of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, Riki May Amano as a member of the Ethics Commission. Ms. Amano will succeed Rachael Wong and serve for a term to expire on December 31, 2018. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Ms. Amano's appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible.

I have enclosed Ms. Amano's personal information form for your review. For any general inquiries you may have regarding this appointment, please contact my executive assistant, Justin Gruenstein, at 768-6603.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk Caldwell", is written over a horizontal line.

Kirk Caldwell
Mayor

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Riki May Amano
Department of the Corporation Counsel
Ethics Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
MAYOR APPOINTMENT / BOARD OR COMMISSION MEMBER
NOMINATION FORM

1. Position Nominated to: Ethics Commission
2. Name: Riki May Amano
(First) (Middle) (Last)
3. Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes ☒ No ☐
Are you a resident of the City and County of Honolulu? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, how long 2010
Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? Yes ☒ No ☐
4. Political affiliation (Civil Service Commission and Liquor Commission nominees only) N/A
5. Occupation: See Supplemental Sheet attached.
6. Name and address of employer or firm:
See Supplemental Sheet attached.
7. Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu?
Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:
See Supplemental Sheet attached.
8. Do you or does any member of your immediate family hold office or own stock in any firm?
Yes ☒ No ☐
9. Does the firm do business with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes ☐ No ☒
If yes, provide details including the name(s) of the firm:
10. Do you have any part-time employment, professional activity, or financial interests other than those indicated in the previous question? Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, provide details:
I am a volunteer facilitator for the Haw. State Bar Association and the Haw. State Bar Foundation. I am also on the Advisory Board of the HSBA's Leadership Inst.
11. Do you foresee any possible conflict between your present work, financial investments, business transactions or any other activity which would be incompatible with the proper discharge of your official duties or hinder you from effectively carrying out the duties for which you have been appointed? Yes ☐ No ☒
12. Are any members of your family employed by the City and County of Honolulu or any attached agency? Yes ☒ No ☐ If yes, please specify the department and division:
See Supplemental Sheet Attached.
13. Are there any incidents in your past that may jeopardize your nomination
Yes ☐ No ☒

14. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? If yes, provide details:

No.

15. Education:

University of Hawaii at Manoa, BA, Political Science

William S. Richardson School of Law, Juris Doctor

Pepperdine School of Law, LL.M. candidate (if the statute of limitations hasn't passed)

16. Provide a summary of major work experience for the last ten (10) years. Begin with your present job including military (attach additional sheets if necessary or resume):

See Supplemental Sheet Attached.

17. Community activities, etc. (also list any service on any other board or commission Federal, State or County):

I am a volunteer Board member of Lanakila Pacific and volunteer facilitator for the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Library.

18. Have you ever been a member of a board or commission with the City and County of Honolulu?

Yes ☐ No ☒ If yes, provide name(s) of board/commission:

19. Will you be able to commit to the full term of this appointment? Yes ☒ No ☐

20. Will you be able to commit to meeting dates and times? Yes ☒ No ☐

21. Are you regularly away from Honolulu? Yes ☒ No ☐ If yes, please explain:

My mediation/arbitration/neutral work takes me to all parts of our state. Typically, the work takes one day and is scheduled 6-8 weeks in advance.

22. Are you willing to make a confidential financial disclosure to the city Ethics Commission upon appointment and yearly thereafter? Yes ☒ No ☐

23. What do you understand to be the prime duties of your county appointment?

Study and learn city Charter (Article XI) and Ordinances (Chapter 3, Article 8) and work with other Ethics Commission members to call it like we see it.

The above statements made by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.


(Signature)

June 22, 2014

(Date)

The completed form and any attachment(s) will be posted by the City Clerk and available on the City's DocuShare Website.

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SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET-Riki May Amano

5. Occupation: Independent contractor doing Mediator/arbitrator/neutral work; Executive Director, Maximum Legal Services Corporation; Retired Circuit Court Judge

6. Name and address of employer or firm: As an independent contractor, I am a member of a panel of neutrals for Dispute Prevention & Resolution, Inc.; the address is 1003 Bishop Street, Suite 1155, Honolulu, HI 96813. I am also the Executive Director of Maximum Legal Services Corporation; the address is 200 N. Vineyard Blvd., Suite A-230, Honolulu, HI 96817.

7. Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu? As an independent contractor, I have done mediations with the City and County of Honolulu. In the last 5 years, I believe I may have had one or two cases. Approximate dollar amount collected might have been \$5,000 total. Maximum Legal Services Corporation does NOT do any business with the City and County of Honolulu.

12. Are any members of your family employed by the City and County of Honolulu or any attached agency? I believe my sister's sister-in-law, Cheryl Tanabe, is employed by the City and County of Honolulu but I do not know the department or the division.

16. Provide a summary of major work experience for the last ten (10) years. Begin with your present job including military. Since retiring from the bench in April 2003, my major work experience has been doing mediations, arbitrations and other neutral work as an independent contractor. Two notable exceptions are my current service as Executive Director of Maximum Legal Services Corporation ("MaxCorp") and a stint from 2005-2007, as the Executive Director of the Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii ("JCCH").

MaxCorp is a non-profit organization that does guardianships, conservatorships and trust work. My work at MaxCorp is completely administrative; I do not practice law.

JCCH is a non-profit organization dedicated to Japanese culture in Hawaii. My work there was totally administrative and public relations.

My work as a mediator and arbitrator typically involves cases in litigation. As a neutral, I have performed independent investigations and provided third-person opinions for case valuations.